



ACT-SO's success is due largely to the dedication and commitment of the community to serve as mentors, coaches, judges and volunteers. Beaver County ACT-SO is in need of adults to assist us in the areas listed below. You can tailor your involvement to suit your schedule.

**General Volunteers** assist our team and students using their gifts to enrich the overall ACT-SO experience.

**Competition Judges** are qualified professionals with appropriate experience who adjudicate students work at the local ACT-SO Columbia competition.

## Criteria for Selecting Judges

- Judges must not have any contact with or be any relation to students who may be competing in the category they are judging.
- ACT-SO judges are required to be degreed professionals or employed in the category that they are judging. Junior College or College Professors, professional architects, engineers, journalists, actors, painters, etc. are good candidates. Judges cannot be coaches, mentors, teachers or parents of students competing
- The same set of judges can judge relative categories if they are qualified, i.e., drawing and painting
- Prior to or during the competition, judges are not to instruct, advise or discuss scores with contestants relative to their performance/presentation.

## Judges Orientation

The Beaver County ACT-SO Competition will be held TBD in **April 14th** from **9:30am-12pm** at a location TBD.

To prepare for this year's competition, we ask that ALL judges be at the location **no later than 8:00am** for our Judges Orientation.

**Mentors / Coaches** work with students (individually and/or in group settings) on their projects once a week over an academic year in preparation for the local Beaver County ACT-SO competition.